



Meeting Minutes for the Parks, Recreation
and Cultural Services Board / Tree Board
Regular Meeting

April 24, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Shoreline City Hall
Room 303

1. Call to Order/Attendance

The meeting was called to order by Chair Beth at 7:00 p.m.

Park Board Members Present: Katie Beth, Jesse Sycuro, John Hoey, Christine Southwick, Al Wagar, Garry Lingerfelt, Vadim Dolgov, Betsy Robertson

City Staff Present: Dick Deal, Director; Maureen Colaizzi, Parks Projects Coordinator; Kirk Peterson, Parks Maintenance Superintendent; Mary Reidy, Recreation Superintendent; Lynn Gabrieli, Administrative Assistant III

2. Approval of Agenda: Chair Beth called for a motion to approve the agenda as written. Mr. Deal requested to introduce the City Manager following Public Comment (5.b.). So moved by Ms. Southwick and seconded by Mr. Wagar. The motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes: Chair Beth called for the motion to approve the March 2014 minutes as written. Mr. Wagar requested the minutes be amended to reflect Ms. Pardee's emphasis on the planting of large conifers to offset climate change. So moved by Mr. Lingerfelt, and seconded by Ms. Southwick. The motion carried.

4. Public Comment

Charlotte Haynes, Shoreline, requested stop signs on the corner of 10th and 194th. There are several blind corridors along 195th she would like to see the City control and/or sign. Staff will share this information with the project manager of the 195th Trail Corridor project.

5. Comments from the Board

Ms. Robertson complimented the Spring/Summer Recreation Guide.

Mr. Sycuro reported on the Sunset Community Garden dedication.

Mr. Hoey recently visited the Sunset site and questioned why the gate is still locked. Staff is working with the police department to implement an opening and closing schedule.

Mr. Wagar heard from neighbors of the Eastside Dog Park who are dissatisfied with drainage and surfacing.

5.b. City Manager, Debbie Tarry, introduced herself to the Board and thanked them for their service to the community. She emphasized the vital role the Parks system and Board plays in the community and described her Vision Statement.

6. Staff Reports

Kirk Peterson, Parks Maintenance Superintendent

- Kiosks were installed at Hillwood Park with funding through a neighborhood mini-grant.
- The department has worked with the Police Department to remove numerous homeless encampments in Shoreline parks this month.

- The crew has been mulching beds as a mechanical rather than chemical means of controlling weeds.
- The City contracts animal control services with a retired police officer, Chris Myer. Mr. Peterson reported on the number of citations, contacts and park visits. The Board expressed the need for off-leash enforcement on School District property as well.

Mary Reidy, Recreation Superintendent

- Six Recreation staff attended the annual WRPA Conference at Magnuson Park in Seattle. Recreation Coordinator, Courtney Brown, received the Micky Corso award. Spartan staff led a very successful session on how to host a beer garden at a municipal event.
- The Pool enjoyed record breaking registration during the first week.
- A new fitness event at Paramount School Park begins with a kickoff event on May 3 in collaboration with the Parkwood Neighborhood Association. This year the division is intentionally working with City partners including the Shoreline Historical Museum, Kruckeberg Botanic Garden, the Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Senior Center, and Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Arts Council to collaborate on creating successful events.
- Shoreline Walks began again this month.

Maureen Colaizzi, Park Development Coordinator

- Echo Lake Park and Sunset School Park both begin construction projects this month that will partially close both parks through the summer.

7. Director's Report

- Mr. Deal demonstrated a new habitat home created by a staff arborist for use on snags to encourage wildlife in parks.
- A joint meeting of the Council and PRCS Board will be held on Monday, April 28 at 5:45p.m. All Board members intend to be present.
- The Board expressed the desire to talk with the Council about the 1% for the Arts program.
- Vision 2029 was created several years ago as a twenty-year vision in collaboration between the City and citizens.
- State of the City Breakfast will take place on June 4.

8. Pacific NW Wildlife Habitat

Chris Anderson, State Department of Fish & Wildlife Biologist

- Mr. Anderson distributed paper copies of information found on their website at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/> and emphasized ways we can incorporate natural processes into urban areas. He covered areas such as diversity, regeneration, the needs of wildlife in the natural environment, structural habitat support, cavities, food, and food storage for wildlife.
- Additional websites include www.wdfw.wa.gov/living/snags/, www.wdfw.wa.gov/viewing/observations/sgcn/, and www.wdfw.attractingwildlife
- Mr. Anderson fielded questions by the Board about wildlife habitat support in Shoreline.

9. Urban Forest Strategic Plan Draft Approval

- A draft of the Urban Forest Strategic Plan will go to the Council for discussion on April 28.
- The April 8 public meeting was sparsely attended. Public comment has been received and incorporated.
- The City was awarded a \$10,000 DNR Community Service Grant to identify implementation strategies once the Plan is approved.
- The Board discussed community concern that the City may plant large trees in view corridors. The "Livability" section of the Plan has been added to address this concern. What that looks like will be fleshed out during the development of an implementation strategy. The ten transportation corridors included in the recent street tree inventory will be added as an appendix.

Chair Beth called for a motion to approve the Urban Forest Strategic Plan in its current form with the addition of the Corridor map as an appendix. So moved by Mr. Sycuro and seconded by Ms. Southwick. The motion carried.

10. Art Committee Recommendations

Several subcommittee recommendations came before the Board for approval:

- a. Piano Time
Five artists applied to paint the five available pianos. All artists who applied were reviewed and approved by the subcommittee. These pianos will be added to the salvageable pianos from 2013 and placed around Shoreline during the month of August.
- b. From the Ground Up
Five artists submitted examples of temporary art installations from recycled materials for consideration. Four artists were recommended by the subcommittee to move forward. Two will incorporate non-salvageable pianos from Piano Time 2013 into their art.
- c. Sculpture Stroll
Fifteen pieces featuring four new artists and three new pieces by current artists were reviewed and recommended for approval.
- d. Sunset School Park Entryway
The subcommittee recommends the approval of Anderson Studios who will present three designs to the selection committee. This project is funded in the amount of \$10,000 by a Neighborhood Association mini-grant, the Friends of Sunset Park, and the Neighborhood Association. Dedication is scheduled for Mid-September.

Chair Beth called for a motion to approve the artists for all four projects as recommended by the selection committees. So moved by Ms. Robertson and seconded by Mr. Lingerfelt. The motion carried.


11. Community Garden Committee Appointments

The Board discussed possibilities for a community-based, rather than Board appointment, process of selection going forward. Until that happens the Board moved to approve the three current applicants: Jeanne Powell and Jennifer Stehling from Sunset and Mical Snow from Twin Ponds. So moved by Mr. Wagar and seconded by Mr. Lingerfelt. The motion carried.


Ms. Robertson proposed that the Board consider adopting a project either apart from or with staff such as participating in park development from beginning to end or planting a tree in conjunction with Arbor Day and linking it to an educational opportunity for the public. Opportunities and ideas will be discussed at future Board meetings.

12. Adjournment

Hearing no further business Chair Beth called for the motion to adjourn. So moved by Ms. Robertson and seconded by Mr. Hoey. The April PRCS Board meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.


Signature of Chair
Katie Beth

5/22/14
Date


Signature of Minute Writer
Lynn Gabrieli

5-22-14
Date

